

**FREDERICK COUNTY LIQUOR BOARD**  
***Public Meeting Minutes***  
***Monday, January 13th, 2020***

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Those Present: Mrs. Debbie Burrell, Chair  
Ms. Joan Aquilino, Board Member  
Mrs. Linda Thall, Senior Assistant County Attorney  
Mr. Bob Shrum, Alcoholic Beverage Inspector  
Mr. Robert Lind, Alcoholic Beverage Inspector  
Ms. Ashley Kneessi, Administrative Specialist V  
Mrs. Dawn Shugars, Administrative Specialist V

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A Public Meeting was held at 12 E. Church Street, Frederick, Maryland, and was called to order at 9:00 AM by the Chair, Debbie Burrell.

1. Violations

a. Spring Ridge Exxon

Spring Ridge Exxon  
Mansoor Anvari, Sarah Steinberg, Kamran Youssefieh  
for the Use of Spring Ridge Petro, LLC  
Class A, Off Sale, Beer, Wine, & Liquor

Mrs. Burrell informed the licensees and the representing attorney Noel Manalo that the officer would not be present today due to an illness. She is asking that the hearing be postponed. Mr. Manalo stated that he would like to move forward with the hearing. He feels that law enforcement should be aware and had this scheduled, therefore he requested a dismissal. Mrs. Thall added that the officer has the flu and this was not avoidable. Ms. Aquilino said she would like to see everyone present and since the officer is ill, that is a very different story.

***MOTION:*** Ms. Aquilino made a motion to postpone the hearing until the March 16, 2020 hearing. She is not willing to dismiss this case.

***SECOND:*** Mrs. Burrell seconded the motion.

***FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THE MOTION:*** There was no further discussion.

***VOTE:*** Mrs. Burrell –Aye  
Ms. Aquilino - Aye

The vote was unanimous ***Ayes 2, Nay-0***  
***(Motion passed)***

b. Spin the Bottle

Spin the Bottle  
Lydia Baker & James Monahan III  
for the Use of Spin the Bottle Wine Company  
Class A, Off Sale, Beer, Wine

Mrs. Thall swore in the witnesses. Mrs. Shugars informed the Board that this case has the option for probation before judgement. Mrs. Baker would like to take this option. Mrs. Thall read the police report, on November 1, 2019 at approximately 7:45 pm, either directly or through an employee, you sold or provided an alcoholic beverage to a person under the age of twenty-one years. The person identified as Cadet Koontz, was allowed to possess an alcoholic beverage in violation of §6-304 Maryland Annotated Code and §6.17 (a) and (g) of the Frederick County Alcoholic Beverages Regulations. The licensees plead guilty to the charge of selling to a minor. The clerk did not request identification. The Maryland State Police report was a made a part of the record.

Mrs. Burrell asked for a copy of the receipt. Sergeant Tindall indicated that on this transaction there was no receipt. She asked the licensees what practices they have put in place so there is not another sale to minor in the future. Mr. Mark Monahan, the manager of the store stated the store was slammed at the time of the incident. He indicated that he thought the person was underage, but was so busy he did not get a chance to remind the clerk to check his identification. Mr. Monahan said they have implemented a new way to communicate to each other if the store is busy. They have a bell they ring. He apologized for not stopping when he was suspicious. He wanted noted for the record that they have passed at least five compliance checks over a seven year period. They are looking into a potential scanner to utilize. Mrs. Burrell added that even with a scanner that you could still potentially sell to someone's sister who looks like him or her. She said this would be an added tool but should not be relied on wholly. They should be vigilant in looking at the person they are selling alcohol to.

Mrs. Burrell asked that they totally understand the option of probation before judgement. She reviewed the down side of taking the deferred option. Mrs. Baker apologized for what has happened. Her intentions are never to sale to minors. She feels her staff if very diligent. She still would like to take deferred judgement after evaluating her options. Mrs. Shugars suggested that the staff attend an upcoming ID training. Ms. Aquilino agreed with that idea. She further added that being a previous business owner, being busy is not an excuse. Mr. Monahan agrees and understands her position. Mrs. Burrell even if you may know them, they should still be diligent in checking identifications.

Mrs. Shugars read the violation history. On May 13, 2013 there was a late to file, paid a \$100 no contest letter. Mrs. Thall went through the findings with the Board. The Board unanimously agrees that this establishment meets the criteria for deferred judgement.

**MOTION:** Ms. Aquilino made a motion to grant deferred judgement. They will need to attend the ID training in February.

**SECOND:** Mrs. Burrell seconded the motion.

**FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THE MOTION:** There was no further discussion.

**VOTE:** Mrs. Burrell –Aye  
Ms. Aquilino - Aye

The vote was unanimous ***Ayes 2, Nay-0***  
***(Motion passed)***

c. Sunrise Liquors

Sunrise Liquors  
Steven Katz  
for the Use of Nary Corporation  
Class A, Off Sale, Beer, Wine & Liquor

Mrs. Thall swore in the witnesses. Mrs. Thall read the police report, on November 1, 2019 at approximately 7:04 pm, either directly or through an employee, you sold or provided an alcoholic beverage to a person under the age of twenty one years. The person identified as Cadet Breakall, was allowed to possess an alcoholic beverage in violation of §6-304 Maryland Annotated Code and §6.17 (a) and (g) of the Frederick County Alcoholic Beverages Regulations. The licensees plead guilty to the charge of selling to a minor. The Maryland State Police report was a made a part of the record.

Mrs. Thall informed counsel that they are eligible for Deferred Judgement. Mr. Kresslien would like to discuss this option with his client because he was under the impression he was not eligible. He said if they do not take the deferral, they would be pleading guilty.

Mrs. Shugars read the violation history. On March 26, 2011, there was a sale to minor; they paid a \$400.00 fine. The violation history was not clear; Mrs. Shugars pulled the file to clarify dates for the record. Mr. Kresslien decided that they would plead guilty and not take the deferred judgement.

Mrs. Burrell asked if this was a routine compliance check. The health department stated yes from the audience. Mrs. Thall wanted clarification on the police report that identification was or was not requested. The cadet said he could not recollect if it was requested or not. Ms. Aquilino asked the officer if he could recollect and he answered, he does not recall either. Mrs. Burrell requested for the future if the reports could be as accurate as possible. She asked about the ID of the server. Mrs. Shugars clarified that at the last TAC meeting the officers are no longer getting

pictures of the clerk or their identifications. The officer clarified that this was his understanding as well. Laura Lamotte from the Health Department added that this was decided previously and she thought the Board was aware.

Mr. Kresslien went over the license being in effect for 24 years at this location. The clerk thought the minor resembled a regular customer; therefore, he did not card him. His client is very aware of the risk of making a sale to a minor. They recognize that they made a mistake. The employee who sold has been there over nine years.

Mrs. Burrell mentioned that we have the ID training on February. This may be an option that the Board may entertain. This is Mr. Katz first experience with this type of situation. Mrs. Burrell added that we have templates available and trainings to help with continuing education.

Ms. Aquilino asked how many employees the store has. Mr. Kresslien stated that they have eight employees. Mrs. Shugars clarified and apologized for any mix-ups in dates on the history sheet. She also added that the ID training for February has openings.

**MOTION:** Ms. Aquilino made a motion that the employees attend the ID training, half of them in February and half of them in June. In addition, Ms. Aquilino added a \$500.00 fine.

**SECOND:** Mrs. Burrell seconded the motion.

**FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THE MOTION:** There was no further discussion.

**VOTE:** Mrs. Burrell –Aye  
Ms. Aquilino - Aye

The vote was unanimous **Ayes 2, Nay-0**  
**(Motion passed)**

d. Urbana Dash In

Urbana Dash In  
Ashwini Malhotra, Nisha Malhotra, Rama Ravichandran  
for the Use of R&S Gasoline, LLC  
Class A, Off Sale, Beer, Wine & Liquor

Mrs. Thall swore in the witnesses. Mrs. Thall read the police report, on November 1, 2019 at approximately 4:51 pm, either directly or through an employee, you sold or provided an alcoholic beverage to a person under the age of twenty one years. The person identified as Cadet Breakall, was allowed to possess an alcoholic beverage in violation of §6-304 Maryland Annotated Code and §6.17 (a) and (g) of the Frederick County Alcoholic Beverages Regulations. The Maryland State Police report was a made a part of the record.

Mr. Ashwini spoke on behalf of the establishment. He says this incident occurred between 4pm and 6pm, which happens to be the busiest time of the week. He added his employee is TIPS trained and is a very good employee. The employee asked for the ID and then still ended up selling to the minor. Mr. Ashwani requested a copy of the police report. The report indicates that he did ask for ID. They have retrained the employees since the incident. Mrs. Thall interjected and asked if he was pleading guilty to the charge. He said he could not deny the charges. He acknowledges that the transaction was completed.

Mr. Thall read that in the report, it is inconsistent whether and ID was requested or not. She made a note that the underage sale did occur.

Mrs. Burrell asked for clarification from the officer is if the identification was in fact requested. The officer added that this compliance check took place at 7:53 pm, not at the times that Mr. Ashwini pointed out. The store was not busy at the time of the compliance check. He stated that the cadet was not asked for identification.

Mrs. Thall pointed out the police report is inconsistent. Mr. Burrell asked the officers to please be careful when completing the reports and make sure to be consistent with the details.

Ms. Aquilino asked Mr. Ashwini what he is doing to make sure this does not occur again. Mr. Ashwini said he has retrained his employees in identification checks. He has also signed up to a program like the mystery shopper, which will test the employees and give them learning tools. This company comes by once a month to test the clerk to see if they are checking identifications. He is using it as a motivational tool too. He rewards them for not selling. He is asking for leniency, because this is his livelihood along with the employees.

Mrs. Burrell we are under a state mandate to suspend the license. She was on the Board when he got his last infraction. She emphasized that this is more of a reason to make sure all the employees are trained.

Mrs. Thall clarified for Mrs. Burrell that state law states that we work from conviction date for a reference date. She explained the suspension options to the Board. It is up to this Board on how long the suspension will be. She explained the buyback option to the Board.

**MOTION:** Ms. Aquilino made a motion that there be a 2 week suspension with a \$1500.00 fine. All the employees must attend the ID training, half of them in February and half of them in June. Mrs. Burrell would like Ms. Aquilino to add that to the motion. She countered the motion with the option to buy back 3 days for an additional \$500.00. Mandatory 1 week suspension equal to 10 days. Total suspension 7 days with \$1000.00 fine, 3 days buyback for \$500.00, total fine \$1500.00. They must attend ID training as stated in the previous motion. The effective date of the suspension will be January 20, 2020 through January 27, 2020.

**SECOND:** Ms. Aquilino seconded the motion.

**FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THE MOTION:** Mr. Ashwini requested a buyback option. Mrs. Burrell added that to the motion. Mrs. Shugars requested an effective date for the suspension. Mr. Ashwini will take the buyback option.

**VOTE:** Mrs. Burrell –Aye  
Ms. Aquilino - Aye

The vote was unanimous ***Ayes 2, Nay-0***  
***(Motion passed)***

e. Lallo's

Lallo's  
George Sisson  
for the Use of Lallo's Restaurant, LLC  
Class B, On Sale, Beer, Wine & Liquor

Mrs. Thall swore in the witnesses. Mrs. Thall read the police report, on November 1, 2019 at approximately 7:50 pm, either directly or through an employee, you sold or provided an alcoholic beverage to a person under the age of twenty one years. The person identified as Cadet Flaherty, was allowed to possess an alcoholic beverage in violation of §6-304 Maryland Annotated Code and §6.17 (a) and (g) of the Frederick County Alcoholic Beverages Regulations. The licensees plead guilty to the charge of selling to a minor. The Maryland State Police report was a made a part of the record.

Mrs. Thall informed the licensee about the differences between accepting the option of deferred judgment and pleading not guilty. Mrs. Burrell added that if they take the deferred option the penalties for selling within a 2 year period leaves the Board no option for suspension of some sort.

Mr. Rojas stated that he wanted to plead guilty because they failed to do their job. He is not making excuses but wanted the Board to know some steps they have taken to train staff. They have implemented that everyone is TIPS trained. In addition, they have started to have shift change meetings to inform all staff are aware as new shifts come one what is going on. He wants to implement a new refresher training every 6 months for his staff to stay up to date on and reminded of policies. His establishment has always checked identifications but this time there was confusion of when this patron arrived during a shift change. He will continue to train his employees to ensure this is avoided in the future.

Mrs. Burrell reviewed the police report and asked law enforcement to make sure they could make clear copies of receipts. She asked Mr. Rojas if they have an alcohol awareness person on every shift. He replied, "We do." She mentioned the

tools we have on the Liquor Board website and to utilize our training opportunities when they are offered. He understood and will make use of what we have to offer.

Mrs. Shugars read the violation history. On June 14, 2014, there was a late to file the renewal; they paid a \$50.00 fine. On July 10, 2014, there was an installation of a pool table without permission; they paid a \$100.00 fine. On November 11, 2014, there was a sale to minor; they paid a \$350.00 fine. Mrs. Shugars confirmed the conviction dates are outside of a 2-year period.

**MOTION:** Ms. Aquilino made a motion for a \$1000.00 fine and the employees must attend the ID training, half of them in February and half of them in June.

**SECOND:** Mrs. Burrell seconded the motion.

**FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THE MOTION:** There was no further discussion.

**VOTE:** Mrs. Burrell –Aye  
Ms. Aquilino - Aye

The vote was unanimous **Ayes 2, Nay-o**  
**(Motion passed)**

f. Sushi Densha

Sushi Densha  
Ron Cheng  
for the Use of Orange Concept, Inc.  
Class B, On Sale, Beer, Wine & Liquor

Mrs. Thall swore in the witnesses. Mrs. Thall read the police report, on November 1, 2019 at approximately 4:54 pm, either directly or through an employee, you sold or provided an alcoholic beverage to a person under the age of twenty one years. The person identified as Cadet Flaherty, was allowed to possess an alcoholic beverage in violation of §6-304 Maryland Annotated Code and §6.17 (a) and (g) of the Frederick County Alcoholic Beverages Regulations. The licensees plead guilty to the charge of selling to a minor. The Maryland State Police report was a made a part of the record.

Mrs. Cheng said that day they were short staffed and it got very busy. The server did check the identification but did not calculate the date properly. Mrs. Burrell asked who was on staff that was alcohol awareness certified. The server and two others were certified on duty that day. They feel that the server got overwhelmed and made a mistake. She respects the law and understands that they will be facing a big penalty for this mistake. Since the incident occurred, they have refreshed everyone's training. She added signage for the employees to use to figure out a person's age.

Mrs. Burrell asked if this was a regular compliance check to law enforcement. They replied that it was. She asked how many compliance checks they had done that particular round. The officer was unsure. Mrs. Shugars added the information she had was that 112 were to be done but they only completed 76 this go round.

Mrs. Shugars read the violation history. On August 8, 2012, there was no Regulation book on site; they received a warning. On May 27, 2013, there was a late to pick up renewal; they paid a \$50.00 fine. On April 20, 2014, there was a file the renewal; they paid a \$150.00 fine. On May 1, 2015, there was a late to file renewal; they paid a \$2400.00 fine. On August 2, 2017, there a late to file Alcohol Ratio form; they received at warning. On October 8, 2018, there was sales to minor; they were given deferred judgment. Mrs. Shugars confirmed the conviction dates.

Mrs. Burrell added that as a licensee there are responsibilities such as filing the required paperwork on time. She wanted them to see there administrative infractions are a factor when the Board is making a decision. She implores them to educate their staff and utilize what we have to offer for training.

**MOTION:** Ms. Aquilino made a motion for a \$1000.00 fine and a 10-day suspension. The suspension is to start 2/3/2020 through 2/13/2020. All the employees must attend the ID training in February.

**SECOND:** Mrs. Burrell seconded the motion.

**FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THE MOTION:** There was no further discussion.

**VOTE:** Mrs. Burrell –Aye  
Ms. Aquilino - Aye

The vote was unanimous **Ayes 2, Nay-0**  
**(Motion passed)**

## 2. New Licenses

### a. 4 The Love of Sweets

4 The Love of Sweets  
Natasha Valencia  
for the Use of 4 The Love of Sweets, LLC  
1100 W. Patrick Street, Suite M, Frederick, MD 21703  
Class B, On Sale, Beer & Wine



Mrs. Thall swore in the applicants. There are no pending items; this license is ready to be issued if approved by the Board. Inspector Lind went out to this location on December 18, 2019 and they meet all the requirements of the Liquor Board.

Mrs. Burrell asked her how many employees would be working there. Ms. Valencia said that she would have four full time and two part time employees. She has already completed the alcohol awareness training herself and will hold a class at her establishment for the remaining staff. They have never held an alcohol license before.

There was no public comment.

**MOTION:** Ms. Aquilino made a motion for approval of the application today.

**SECOND:** Mrs. Burrell seconded the motion.

**FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THE MOTION:** There was no further discussion.

**VOTE:** Mrs. Burrell –Aye  
Ms. Aquilino - Aye

The vote was unanimous **Ayes 2, Nay-0**  
**(Motion passed)**

b. Home 2 Suites by Hilton Frederick

Home 2 Suites by Hilton Frederick  
Peter Plamondon & James Plamondon  
for the Use of Plamondon Hospitality Partners, LLC.  
4850 Buckeystown Pike, Frederick, MD 21704  
Class O, Hotel Lobby License

Mrs. Thall swore in the applicants. The pending items are Fingerprinting, correcting the Sales & Use tax and the Inspector's report.

Mrs. Burrell reviewed with Mrs. Thall the legality of doing all the applications together as there is no public to contest and the licensees are all the same for every application after this one under Plamondon Hospitality Partners, LLC. Mrs. Thall agreed they could all be heard at once.

Mrs. Shugars updated the Board that the applicants will be doing the fingerprinting today. The Sales & Use tax issue has been ongoing and Mrs. Shugars and Mrs. Trautman from the Plamondon group have been valiantly working to resolve this with the State. This should be resolved today. These two pending items are the only hold up to issue the all the license's.

Inspector Shrum went to all the locations on December 16, 2019 and they meet all the requirements of the Liquor Board.

There was no public comment.

**MOTION:** Ms. Aquilino made a motion for conditional approval March 1, 2020.

**SECOND:** Mrs. Burrell seconded the motion.

**FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THE MOTION:** There was no further discussion.

**VOTE:** Mrs. Burrell –Aye  
Ms. Aquilino - Aye

The vote was unanimous **Ayes 2, Nay-0**  
**(Motion passed)**

### 3. Transfers

#### a. Fairfield Inn & Suites

Fairfield Inn & Suites  
Peter Plamondon & James Plamondon  
for the Use of Plamondon Hospitality Partners, LLC.  
5220 Westview Drive, Frederick, MD 21703  
Transfer from: Patrick Crowley  
Class O, Hotel Lobby License

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**SECOND:** Mrs. Burrell seconded the motion.

**FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THE MOTION:** There was no further discussion.

**VOTE:** Mrs. Burrell –Aye  
Ms. Aquilino - Aye

The vote was unanimous **Ayes 2, Nay-0**  
**(Motion passed)**

b. Towne Place Suites by Marriott

Towne Place Suites by Marriott  
Peter Plamondon & James Plamondon  
for the Use of Plamondon Hospitality Partners, LLC.  
5050 Westview Drive, Frederick, MD 21703  
Transfer from: Edward Prensky  
Class O, Hotel Lobby License

Mrs. Thall swore in the applicants. The pending items are Fingerprinting, correcting the Sales & Use tax and the Inspector's report.

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**SECOND:** Mrs. Burrell seconded the motion.

**FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THE MOTION:** There was no further discussion.

**VOTE:** Mrs. Burrell –Aye  
Ms. Aquilino - Aye

The vote was unanimous **Ayes 2, Nay-0**  
**(Motion passed)**

c. Residence Inn by Marriott

Residence Inn by Marriott  
Peter Plamondon & James Plamondon  
for the Use of Plamondon Hospitality Partners, LLC.  
5230 Westview Drive, Frederick, MD 21703  
Transfer from: Richard Rogers  
Class O, Hotel Lobby License  
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Mrs. Thall swore in the applicants. The pending items are Fingerprinting, correcting the Sales & Use tax and the Inspector's report.

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**VOTE:** Mrs. Burrell –Aye  
Ms. Aquilino - Aye

The vote was unanimous **Ayes 2, Nay-0**

***(Motion passed)***

d. Homewood Suites by Hilton

Homewood Suites by Hilton  
Peter Plamondon & James Plamondon  
for the Use of Plamondon Hospitality Partners, LLC.  
4950 Westview Drive, Frederick, MD 21703  
Transfer from: Henrietta Fike, David Hogg & Justin Shelton  
Class O, Hotel Lobby License

Mrs. Thall swore in the applicants. The pending items are Fingerprinting, correcting the Sales & Use tax and the Inspector's report.

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***FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THE MOTION:*** There was no further discussion.

***VOTE:*** Mrs. Burrell –Aye  
Ms. Aquilino - Aye

The vote was unanimous ***Ayes 2, Nay-0***  
***(Motion passed)***

e. Courtyard by Marriott

Courtyard by Marriott  
Peter Plamondon & James Plamondon

for the Use of Plamondon Hospitality Partners, LLC.  
5225 Westview Drive, Frederick, MD 21703  
Transfer from: Robert Plante, Jr  
Class B, On Sale, Beer, Wine & Liquor

Mrs. Thall swore in the applicants. The pending items are Fingerprinting, correcting the Sales & Use tax and the Inspector's report.

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**VOTE:** Mrs. Burrell –Aye  
Ms. Aquilino - Aye

The vote was unanimous ***Ayes 2, Nay-0***  
***(Motion passed)***

4. Minutes Update – The minutes are the up to date as of this hearing.

Meeting adjourned at 11:48 am

Respectfully submitted,  
Dawn Shugars, Administrative Specialist V  
FREDERICK COUNTY LIQUOR BOARD